ping of Romanian diplomat at New Delhi, the Government propose to provide additional security to diplomatic missions in New Delhi;

(b) if so, the details of diplomatic missions in New Delhi who have asked for additional security recently; and

(c) the other steps the Government propose to take to provide foolproof security to diplomatic missions in New Delhi ?

THE MINISTERY OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) After the kidnapping of the Romanian diplomat in New Delhi Security arrangements of the diplomatic missions in Delhi were reviewed and strengthened wherever considered necessary.

(b) The diplomatic missions of the United States of America, Canada, France, Lebanon, Romania, U.S.S.R., Egypt, Tunisia, Netherlands, Yugoslavia, Saudi Arabia, Spain, Kuwait, Denmark and Thailand have asked for additional security.

(c) The security arrangements for diplomatic missions are reviewed periodically and strengthened wherever necessary.

Abduction of Romanian Diplomat

615. SHRI M.V. CHANDRASHKARA MURTHY:
SHRI V.SREENIVASA PRASAD:
DR. C. SILVERA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Liberation Tiger Force of Khalistan has claimed responsibility for the abduction of the Romanian Charge d'Affairs in New Delhi recently;

(b) whether the Government have failed to get free the Romanian Charge d' Affairs from the clutches of the militants;

(c) whether the militants have been asking for the release of several hardcore militants in exchange of abducted diplomat; and

(d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto and efforts being made for safe release of the Romanian diplomat?

THE MINISTERY OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) to (d). The Charge d'Affairs of the Romanian Embassy in New Delhi was abduted on 9th October, 1991. Intensive operations were launched to search for the abducted diplomat.

Militants of several organisations have issued statements in the Press claiming the responsibility for this abduction and Liberation Tiger Force of Khalistan is one of them. Release of several hard core militants has also been sought in exchange.

Every effort is being made by the Government to locate and secure safe return of the diplomat and to bring the culprits to book.

Rise in Crime Graph

616. SHRI M.V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY:
SHRI PANKAJ CHOWDHARY:
SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD:
DR. C. SILVERA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to newsitem captioned "steep rise in crime graph" as reported in the Hindustan Time dated October 30, 1991;

(b) whether the Government has recently reviewed the overall functioning of the Delhi Police Force;